

## Exhibit 5: Letters of Support

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January 20, 2005

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California Coastal Conservancy  
11th Floor, 1330 Broadway  
Oakland, CA 94612

### Re: The Ormond Beach MWD/City Property Acquisition

Dear Chairman Bosco and Members:

I am writing in strong support of The Ormond Beach MWD/City Property Acquisition. The biological significance of this area and its restoration potential have been recognized by the State, the Oxnard City Council and The Ventura County Board of Supervisors. These agencies have been active participants in the Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project.

A critical mass of 750 acres of restored wetlands and associated habitat at Ormond Beach will help to create a self-sustaining biological system and enough tidal prism and flushing action to maintain health and hydrologic function. Wetlands are essential nursery and breeding grounds for fish, shellfish, and other wildlife, as well as water flow. About 35% of the endangered and threatened animals and plants in the United States depend on wetlands, in some way. As you know, wetlands are also important to water purification, as waterways containing natural washes and pollution are cleaned as they pass through forested swamps. Pollutants, such as nitrogen and phosphorus, are taken in by many wetland plants as nutrients. By absorbing large volumes of water following a heavy rainfall, wetlands protect surrounding areas from flood damage and erosion.

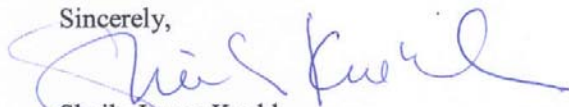
I believe our environment will greatly benefit by restoring these wetlands. School-aged children will be provided with a hands-on opportunity to learn about science and biology, graduate and university level students will have a local place to focus important ecological research. The beauty of the wildlife, lush vegetation and water adds value to nearby property and neighborhoods. Unique activities will be provided for the public including birding, nature hikes, and running trails.

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Please join me in supporting the Acquisition of the Ormond Beach MWD/City Property.  
Thank you for your consideration.

If I can be of any further assistance please contact my Field Deputy Hilda Garcia at 310-441-9084.

Sincerely,



Sheila James Kuehl  
California State Senator  
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November 29, 2004

California Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Re: December 2, 2004 Meeting;  
Agenda Item #5 – SUPPORT

BY FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION – (510) 286-0470

Dear Chairman Bosco and Commissioners:

This is to express my strong support for the disbursement of \$12,972,000 to the Nature Conservancy for the acquisition of roughly 276 acres at Ormond Beach. The restoration of the Ormond Beach wetlands and related habitat has been a high priority of mine from the time that I first began to represent the area.

This is a key acquisition that will constitute about 1/3 of the total restoration project area. It is a project of great environmental significance, and one that has the potential of being a wonderful visitor-serving destination for the greater Oxnard region.

I urge your aye vote.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fran Pavley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

FRAN PAVLEY,  
Assemblymember, 41<sup>st</sup> District

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